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SUBJECT: SOVIET RECOGNITION OF SIHANOUK

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1. FIRST SENTENCE PARA 3 NO LONGER APPLIES, SINCE GENERAL COMMITTEE VOTE TAKEN OCTOBER 16. RESULT WAS 11 VOTES FOR INSCRIPTION AND TWO AGAINST (US AND FIJI) WITH 10 ABSTENTIONS. USSR VOTED FOR INSCRIPTION.
2. DESPITE FOREGOING, APPROACH STILL CONSIDERED WORTHWHILE AS HAVING POSSIBLE FAVORABLE EFFECT IN COURSE OF UNGA CONSIDERATION OF ISSUE.
3. DESPITE DEFEAT OF ANTI-INSCRIPTION FORCES IN GENERAL COMMITTEE, WE REGARD OUTCOME OF THAT VOTE AS QUITE RESPECTABLE IN VIEW OF GC COMPOSITION. ASEAN COUNTRIES (INDO-SECRET

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NESIA, MALAYSIA, SINGAPORE, THAILAND, PHILIPPINES), FOR INSTANCE, WHO ALL OPPOSE UNSEATING OF GKR, WERE NOT REPRESENTED ON COMMITTEE; AND WE BELIEVE VIEWS OF COUNTRIES IN THE IMMEDIATE AREA SHOULD WEIGH HEAVILY WHEN ITEM COMES UP

IN PLENARY. MANY COUNTRIES THAT ABSTAINED IN GC DID SO BE-
CAUSE THEY TRADITIONALLY ACCEPT RIGHT OF MEMBERS TO INSCRIBE
ITEMS, EVEN THOUGH THEY WILL SPEAK AND VOTE AGAINST THIS
ITEM WHEN SUBSTANCE IS DISCUSSED. IN OTHER WORDS, THERE IS
A CONSIDERABLE BATTLE AHEAD AND WE HAVE REASON TO WONDER IF
SOVIETS ARE AWARE OF IT AND REALLY DESIRE IT. KISSINGER

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